Nearly All One Way.

The Mercury recently printed the responses of the following questions put to them:

- 1. Do you favor the free coinage of silver by the United States, independent of the action of any other nation?
- 2. Is there a strong probability that the democrats of your state will vote to put a free coinage plank in their national platform?
- 3. What is the feeling among the republicans of your state as to this ques-

Governor McConnell, of Idaho, republican, is in favor of independent action and in favor of the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, as to the first question. In response to the second question he says that he has not access to the inner councils of the democrats of the state, but, in his opinion, it those who go to their convention as representatives of that party do not advocate such a plank they will misrepresent their constituents. In response to query 3 he says that the feeling among the republicans on the silver question is the same as among the democrats.

Governor Jones, silver, of Nevada, to querry 1. "I do most emphatically." To query 2. "Without doubt, as they have incorporated such a plank in their previous declarations and instructions." To query 3. "In favor of bimetallism, but more conservative than the democrais on that issue. Both of the old parties in this state are at present hopelessly in the minority. The 'silver party' is the party in power here and on the issue of finance is uncompromising on the silver issue."

Governor Lord, republican, of Oregon -I am not in favor of free and independent silver coinage. I think the demo crats of Oregon will vote for a free coinage plank at the democratic national convention. The republicans of Oregon are undecided on the question.

Governor Holcomb, populist, of Nebrasks-I favor the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the present ratio, independent of the action of any other nation. I think the democrats of this state will vote to put a free comage plank in their national platform. The republicans of this state are decidedly mixed on the silver question.

Governor Stone, democrat, of Mississippi-I do not favor the free and independent coinage of silver, except as provided by the national democratic platform of 1892. The democrats of Misslesippi would vote for a free coinage plank in the national convention if it were held now, but I don't believe they will in 1896. As to the republicans, we have few in this state with views on this or any other question, but most of that few are opposed to the 16 to 1 free coinage. The populists all favor it.

Governor Stone, democrat, of Missouri -I am in favor of tree and independent silver coinage. There is no doubt that the Missouri delegation in the democratis national canvention will vote for a plank expressing the demand of our democratic masses for such coinage. The republicans of Missouri stand about half and half.

Governor Matthews, democrat, of Indiana, believes in the United States taking the initiative to bring about a speedy agreement, or refusal between the commercial nations on coinage of silver and its ratio, or, failing in this, be favors the independent coinage by the United States of the silver product O. D M. GADDIS. of this country, excluding foreign bullion. As to the second query Governor Matthews is unable to predict what the democrats of Indiana will urge as the financial plank in the national platform, but believes that it will be for a true, honest, and just bimetallism, and certainly not for the single gold standard. As to the third question, he says that while many of the republicans are undoubtedly for the single gold standard, yet the majority will favor the coinage of eilver upon some basis or other.

Governor Alfgeld, democrat, Illinois-1. Yes. 2. Yes. 3. There is a strong feeling among the republicans of this state in favor of free silver.

Governor Carr, democrat, North Carolina-1. I do most emphatically. 2. There is. 3. There is. The leaders of the republican party in this state claim to be for the free coinage of silver.

Governor Evans, democrat, South Carolina-1. Yes. 2. Yes, and if the convention refuses our delegation will withdraw from the convention. In regard to the third question, Governor Evans does not give the republican party's feeling in the matter.

Governor McIntyre, republican, Colorado-I am in favor of free coinage, independent of the action of any other

nation. The democrats of this state will vote for such comage in their national convention. The feeling among our republicans is the same as that among democrats.

Governor Richards, republican, Montana—1. I do. 2. They will. 3 Unanimously in favor of free coinage of silver independent of the ction of other nations.

Governor Thornton, democrat, New Mexico-1. I am in favor of free coinage of silver by the United States at the ratio of 16 to 1. 2. The delegates to the democratic silver convention from the territory will put a free coinage plank in the platform. 3. The feelings of the republicans of this territory are in accord with those of the democrats upon this

Governor Richards, republican, of Wyoming—1. Yes. 2. Yes. 3 In my judgment, a majority of the republi-cans of this state are in favor of free

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